

Appl. No. 10/748,734
Amdt. Dated July 28, 2006
Reply to Office Action Dated March 7, 2006

Attorney Docket No. 88519.0001
Customer No. 26021

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REMARKS

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This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Advisory Action dated June 20, 2006 and subsequent phone Interview conducted on July 7, 2006. Claims 4-6, 8-11, 13-15 and 17-19 remain pending in this application. Claims 4, 5, 13 and 14 are the independent claims. Claims 4-6, 8-11, 13-15 and 17-19 have been amended. Claims 1,2, 3, 7, 12, 16 and 20-25 have been canceled without prejudice.

The dependent claims have been amended to depend directly from allowable Claims 4 or 13 and are therefore in condition for allowance and such allowance is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no new matter is involved in the amendments or arguments presented herein. Reconsideration and entrance of the amendment in the application are respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 337-6809 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,
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